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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Libraries are essential to education and an integral part of the total educational resources of the community; and

WHEREAS, An educated and informed citizenry is basic to life in a free society; and

WHEREAS, Education should be lifelong through the resources of the library, and everybody in Montana should have an equal opportunity to read and thus develop his capabilities to the fullest extent; and

WHEREAS, Libraries, serving communities, schools, colleges and state government, make it possible for Montanans to have access to materials to enrich their personal lives and increase their competency in vocational and civic roles,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Forrest H. Anderson, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim the week of April 18-24, 1971, as

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK
in Montana.

National Library Week is celebrated across the United States, April 18-24. The text of Governor Anderson's proclamation, above, has been released. Shown in the picture, left, is Chet Huntley, Montana's National Library Week Chairman, and Governor Anderson. Mrs. Helen Dresen, Montana State University Library, is Executive Director for the NLW program in Montana.

Mrs. Alma S. Jacobs, Librarian of the Great Falls Public Library, has been selected by the Montana Education Association's Board of Directors to receive the Association's 1971 Golden Apple Award for "dedicated service to youth." The award will be presented at the Delegate Assembly banquet in Helena on Friday, April 16. Mrs. Jacobs was nominated by the Great Falls Association of Classroom Teachers for her civic, educational, and professional contributions to the state, region, and nation.

Two new public library facilities will be formally dedicated on Sunday, April 18: the Choteau Public Library, and the Rosebud County Library, in Forsyth. Both libraries received grants from Title II of the Library Services and Construction Act from the State Library Commission to match local funds in construction. The Choteau library is a member of the Pathfinder Federation; the Forsyth library, of the Sagebrush Federation of Libraries.

The Wyoming State Library has announced a series of workshops on local history and libraries and has invited Montana librarians to participate. Workshops nearest to Montana will be held in Cody (May 10) and Buffalo (May 8). Further information is available from Mrs. Jenny Preston, Field Consultant, at the Wyoming State Library, Cheyenne 82001.

The Manitoba Library Association and the Manitoba Department of Youth and Education have announced plans for a Western International Library Conference, to be held in Winnipeg September 30-October 3, 1971. The conference theme is "New Directions in Library Service." Sessions will be held on community libraries, school resource centers, public library legislation, the role of the library trustee, library services to Indian and Metis communities, and care and acquisition of archival material. Booksellers and audiovisual suppliers plan to attend and display their products and new ideas. Participants in the conference are expected to attend from Western Canada and the northwest United States. The Montana State Library has brochures and further information on the conference, available on request.

Mrs. Esther Dean has been named librarian at the Rosebud County Library, replacing the late Mrs. Graham Makin.

Montaniana:

Solitary rambles and adventures of a hunter in the prairies, by John Balliser. Reprint of the 1853 edition. Tuttle, 1969, $5.95.

Equations, by Paul Coughlin. Poems; author teaches at the Flathead Valley Community College. Kalispell, Meadlolark Press, 1969, $2.00.

History and anecdotes of the public accountants of Montana, by William B. Finlay. New York, Pageant Press International Corporation, 1969, $4.95.

Arfive, by A. B. Guthrie, Jr. Final novel in the four-novel series which began with The Big Sky. Houghton, 1971, $5.95.

Sheridan's daybreak; a story of Sheridan County and its pioneers, compiled and collated by Magnus Aasheim. Plentywood (?), Sheridan County Historical Association, 1970, $12.50.

The CMR book, text by John Willard, with foreword by Senator Mike Mansfield. Reproductions of Russell's paintings, bronzes, sketches. Seattle, Superior Publishing Company, 1970, $15.95.

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